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C O N F I D E N T I A L SEOUL 3376

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SUBJECT: NEW KOREAN EMERGENCY MEASURES

REF: SEOUL 3344

1. EMERGENCY MEASURE NO. 9 WAS PROMULGATED MAY 13 AT MEETING OF STATE COUNCIL. AS REPORTED REFTEL, MEASURE IS WIDE-RANGING PROHIBITION AGAINST VIRTUALLY ALL CRITICISM OF CONSTITUTION AS WELL AS PROHIBITION STUDENT POLITICAL ACTIVITY AND INCLUDES MEASURES AGAINST CORRUPTION. (MEASURE NO. 8 REPEALED MEASURE NO. 7 WHICH CLOSED KORYO UNIVERSITY). MEASURE EFFECTIVE 1500 HOURS (LOCAL) MAY 13.

2. TEXT AS ISSUED MAY 13 HAD SOME MINOR DIFFERENCES FROM TEXT PROVIDED REFTEL. MAJOR VARIATION SEEMS TO BE ADDITION OF PROHIBITION AGAINST "DEFAMING" EMERGENCY MEASURE ITSELF. FULL TEXT OF MEASURE BEING CABLED SEPTTEL.

3. PRESIDENT PAK, IN STATEMENT ACCOMPANYING PROMULGATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURE, SAID THAT HE HAD CONFIDENTIAL

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ACTED "IN ORDER TO CONSOLIDATE NATIONAL UNITY, COALESCE NATIONAL OPINION AND TO ENABLE PEOPLE TO PREPARE THEMSELVES FOR AN IMPREGNABLE POSTURE OR NATIONAL SECURITY." HE SAID ROKG WILL COPE WITH

"FAST-CHARPING INTERNATIONAL SITUATION" IN PROMPT  
AND FLEXIBLE MANNER.

4. HE FURTHER SAID ROKG CONTINUES TO PLACE "TRUST  
AND CONFIDENCE IN US COMMITMENT" BASED ON MUTUAL  
DEFENSE AGREEMENT. HE WOULD CONSOLIDATE EXISTING  
NATIONAL FRIENDSHIPS AND PURSUE POLICIES WITH NATIONS  
OF DIFFERING POLITICAL SYSTEMS IN LINE WITH HIS STATEMENT  
ON FOREIGN POLICY OF JUNE 23, 1973.

5. IN FACE OF UNPRECEDENTED DIFFICULTY, PAK SAID,  
PEOPLE MUST PUT AN END TO ALL ELEMENTS OF WASTE IN  
NATIONAL LIFE AS WELL AS TO ALL ACTS DETRIMENTAL TO  
NATIONAL SOLIDARITY. HE CALLED ON NORTH KOREA TO GIVE  
UP ITS AMBITIONS TO CONQUER SOUTH AND RESUME TALKS.  
SHOULD NORTH LAUNCH ANOTHER INVASION OUT OF  
MISCALCUALTION, PAK SAID, KOREA WOULD ERADICATE  
THIS THREAT ONCE AND FOR ALL. HE  
"SOLEMNLY WARNED" THAT ANY RECKLESS ADVENTURE BY  
NORTH WOULD ONLY LEAD TO ITS DESTRUCTION.

6. FULL TEXT PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT BEING CABLED  
SEPTTEL.

7. RADIO REPORTS THAT NDP HELD EMERGENCY LEADERS  
MEETING AFTERNOON MAY 13; NDP "LEADER" REPORTEDLY  
SAID THAT UNDER NEW MEASURE PARTY CAN NO LONGER  
CONDUCT POLITICAL ACTIVITY AND THAT SPECIAL POLITICAL  
AFFAIRS COUNCIL MEETING HAS BEEN SCHEDULED FOR MAY 14  
TO CONSIDER NEW EMERGENCY MEASURE.

8. LIMITED PRIVATE REACTION WE HAVE HEARD SO FAR  
HAS BEEN ONE OF SURPRISE AT ALL-INCLUSIVE NATURE OF  
MEASURE AND BELIEF THAT SUCH STRONG MEDICINE NOT  
REQUIRED DURING PERIOD IN WHICH OPPOSITION ACTIVITIES  
ALREADY HAVE BEEN MUTED. WE WILL BE REPORTING FURTHER  
REACTION AND COMMENTS FROM GOVERNMENT AND OPPOSITION  
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